

**23-3 Approval of Asbestos Training Courses and State Accreditation Programs
(1200 TN 365)**

1. **AUTHORITY.** Pursuant to TSCA section 206, to:
 - a. grant full approval to initial and refresher training courses that have a prior contingent approval from EPA or approval from a state program for purposes of accreditation under TSCA section 206 (15 U.S.C. 2646), and to suspend, revoke or withdraw any of these approvals for a failure to comply;
 - b. grant partial and full approval of state asbestos accreditation programs that comply with TSCA section 206 and to suspend, revoke or withdraw any such approval for a failure to comply; and
 - c. suspend or revoke the accreditation of any person who has obtained accreditation from an approved training provider or from a state accreditation program that complies with TSCA section 206, where such person is in violation of Unit I.G. of 40 CFR part 763, appendix C to subpart E.
2. **TO WHOM DELEGATED.** The authorities in 1.a., 1.b., and 1.c. are delegated to director, Land and Chemicals Division (LCD) and to the associate director, Office of Toxics and Pesticides, LCD.
3. **LIMITATIONS.** In exercising authority 1(a) and 1(c), the AA for OECA shall consult with the affected Regions.
4. **REDELEGATION AUTHORITY.**
 - a. Each of these three authorities may be redelegated to the branch chief level, and no further. These authorities may not be redelegated without formal amendment.
 - b. An official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw the authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command down to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.
5. **ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.**
 - a. Section 206 of the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA).
 - b. Section 15 of the Asbestos School Hazard Abatement Reauthorization Act (ASHARA).
 - c. The Asbestos Model Accreditation Plan (40 CFR Part 763, Appendix C to subpart E).
6. **SUPERSESSION.** Delegations Manual, AHERA, Regional Delegation 23-3. Approval of Asbestos Training Courses and State Accreditation Programs, 1200 TN RIII-128 (September 30, 1998).

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